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This is the very heart of India's splendor. You are standing nearly northeast; within that long, high, ... the distance is the innermost palace of the Mughal emperors of India, since the first gorgeous court was built. At your left, those broad steps lead up to the Jamma Masjid, the largest mosque in the whole North, built by the same Shah Jahan who got out the magnificent Taj Mahal, one of the most beautiful structures ever created. And next to it is the twentieth-century expression of the same Oriental passion for splendor. It is the mosque of 1902, and there is a part of the same story, marking the official arrival of the Indian Viceroy, Lord Curzon, and the Duke and Duchess of Cornwall. The formal proclamation of the coronation of Edward VII, Emperor of India, takes place January 1, 1903, in a great amphitheatre in the plain outside the town.

Gold, silver and jewels are now actually used as lavishly as in old fairy tales of the stories of the Arabian Nights. Those elephant blankets are stiff and heavy with embroideries of gold; the dancing-pool with worn by dead necked elephants are of these beautiful enough for a ballroom. Notice how many of the great animals are resplendent with rings of gold and silver around their necks. The elephants and their backs are enormously heavy; the solid ones are all of precious metals and even those made comparatively light with canopies of embroidered silk have their pillars of elaborately carved silver set with jewels. These are state emblems of the Maharajahs (native princes). These wealth is almost beyond counting. Descendants of families that were old and honored while England was the home of unskilled savages. More than one of these lordly rulers wears to day jewels worth \$100,000. Many of them are highly educated and some are beginning to show practical Western ideas about the need of improvement and reforms for the common people in their various districts.

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au Durbar, Delhi, Ind.

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Fürst beim Durbar in Delhi, Indien.

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